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kets would stabilize soon. "Without a doubt this is a temporary situation," said Mitterrand's campaign manager Paul Quilès...

Over party leadership Giscard, Chirac rift surfaces

PARIS, May 12 (AFP) - There is an open clash between outgoing President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and Gaullist leader Jacques Chirac over who will lead the right in the forthcoming National Assembly general elections...

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S. Korea, Kingdom discuss oil supplies

By Adnan Sadig
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, May 12 — Saudi Arabian and South Korean officials discussed a Korean request for increasing oil exports to that country, but no agreement has been reached, according to a top Korean official.

South Korean Interior Minister Suh Chung-Wha told Arab News Tuesday that Saudi Arabia is studying the issue of oil supplies to South Korea. The minister was to depart Riyadh Tuesday after a four-day visit. Wha said his country suffers a shortage in oil supplies, but is able to overcome the deficiency.

Wha also held talks with Petroleum and Minerals Minister Ahmed Zaki Yamani Monday — among other top officials he met during his visit. Their talks concentrated on cooperation in petroleum affairs and bilateral relations.

The Korean minister was seen-off by Interior Minister Prince Naif, Deputy Interior Minister Prince Ahmad, Deputy Interior Minister Dr. Ibrahim Al-Awajid and other senior officials. Wha was received by King Khalid and held extensive talks with Prince Naif during his stay.

Wha denied rumors that most of the



GIFT: Interior Minister Prince Naif (right) and S. Korean Interior Minister Suh Chung-Wha exchange gifts during the minister's visit.

South Korean workers in the Kingdom are under military service. "These are fabrications by foreign media intended to strain Saudi-Korean relations," Wha said. The government has no knowledge of such actions and workers recruited by Korean companies operating in the Kingdom or other countries in the region are selected through media advertisements as in any other country, he said.

"As a result of the increased demand on Korean manpower, the country is now facing a shortage in skilled workers since they have gone abroad to work in friendly countries," Wha added. The government is proud of the Korean workers' reputation. "Saudi Arabian officials confirmed that the Koreans are hard-workers and honest," he said.

Ahsa irrigation project to be reviewed

By agriculture minister

AHSA, May 12 (SPA) — Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh is to preside over a meeting Wednesday for the committee entrusted with Ahsa's irrigation and drainage project. High on the agenda is the development of agricultural methods and the committee's budget and new projects.

Dr. Al-Sheikh also chaired a meeting of the National Agricultural Development Company's Board Monday. The board was meeting for the first time and the agriculture and water minister is its chairman.

The board decided to make the Harth agricultural production project the com-

pany's first venture. It also approved executive programs for wheat and fodder harvests for the next season. The board reviewed possibilities of establishing agricultural projects in various parts of the Kingdom and commissioning the company to coordinate with the Ministry of Agriculture and Water to invest in agricultural production through various crops.

"The company approved a 1,000-cow dairy product project to be part of the Harth project and commissioned the start of work. The board meeting was attended by members which included deputy ministers of commerce, agriculture and water and treasurer of

the public investments fund of the finance and national economy ministry.

In another development, local flour and fodder production during the last fiscal year increased two-fold, according to officials. Jeddah's Grain Silos and Flour Mills Project sold 2.265 million packs of various sizes during the 1980-81 fiscal year compared to 1.126 million in the year before.

Muhammad Najib Khudr, the project's manager, said Tuesday that fodder sales exceeded one million packs in the last fiscal year. The project's fodder sales amounted to 391,893 packs only in the year before last, he added.

FROM THE GULF

ABU DHABI, May 12 (WAM) — Naser Al-Nuwais, the managing director of the Abu Dhabi Fund for Arab Economic Development (ADFAED) and a member of the board of directors of the Gulf Air Company left here Tuesday for Manama to participate in the meetings of the Gulf Air board due to start there.

During the meeting, the board will discuss the company's budget for 1981 and the possibility of the company's support by its member states.

It will also review issues relating to the ratification of the board's previous meetings minutes. Gulf Air Company is jointly owned by the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Oman and Bahrain.

chambers of commerce and businessmen on promoting bilateral trade co-operation.

ABU DHABI, May 12 (WAM) — United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan received here Tuesday Edmund Muskie, former U.S. Secretary of State who is currently on a visit to the UAE.

The meeting was attended by Ahmed Khalifa Al-Suwaidi, the president's representative.

Sultan attends naval graduation

DAMMAM, May 12 (SPA) — Defense Minister Prince Sultan Tuesday attended the graduation ceremony of a class of academic and technical officers at the Naval Technical Studies Institute here.

The class of 100 officers included 13 who attended a 13-week course. The rest spent three years studying marine sciences, military skills and marine arts.

The ceremony was attended by Sheikh Turki Al-Otayshan, deputy governor of the Eastern Province; Maj. Gen. Yusouf Al-Bouri, the province commander; Navy Brig. Muhammad Oon Sharaf Al-Barakati, commander of the naval forces; and other senior officers as well as the cadets' parents and guardians.

Prince Sultan also watched a military parade and a display of skills and reviewed a cad guard of honor by the cadets. He was also shown the equipment on which the cadets are trained for welding, ship repair and maintenance, mines and mine sweeping, and wireless communications.

He congratulated the cadets on behalf of King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd and urged them to stick to their faith while defending their country. He told them that henceforth they are the soldiers of Islam in every spot of the world. He also urged other Saudi youths to join the armed forces.

Prince Sultan said that a naval academy is planned in Jubail and the institute will supply it with the necessary manpower. He further said that within the few coming months the foundation stone will be laid for the fourth military cantonment in the Eastern Province, west of Dhahran. At noon, the prince attended a luncheon given in his honor in the institute.

ABU DHABI, May 12 (WAM) — Moroccan minister of information, Abdul Wahid Balqaziz left here Tuesday for Doha, Qatar, wrapping up a visit to the UAE during which he delivered a written message to President Sheikh Zayed from King Hassan II of Morocco dealing with bilateral relations and means of enhancing them as well as the view of Morocco, regarding the western Sahara.

Balqaziz, who arrived in Abu Dhabi last Sunday, as part of a tour of several states in the region, was seen off at the airport by a number of senior officials at the Ministry of information and Culture and Al Maki Kuwan, Moroccan charge d'affaires in the country.

ABU DHABI, May 12 (WAM) Tuesday a seven-member trade delegation from Bangladesh arrived here Tuesday on a visit of four-days for talks with UAE officials at

Salman inspects desalination plant

JUBAIL, May 12 (SPA) — Riyadh Governor Prince Salman Tuesday inspected phases I and II of Jubail's desalination plant and the 450 kilometer dual pipeline which is to carry water to Riyadh.

The prince also inspected the electric power supply units, the plant's reservoirs and the pumping station. He then visited the industrial zone, the naval base and the housing complex annexed to the desalting station.

The local branch of the Saline Water Conversion Corporation gave a luncheon in honor of Prince Salman. The banquet was also attended by Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh, the agriculture and water minister and board chairman of the corporation; and other senior officials.

Phase I of the desalination and electric power plant, which is nearing completion, has a capacity of 30 million gallons of drinking water a day and 300 megawatts of electricity. It is made up of six identical boilers and vapor-activated turbines. It will become operational in September 1982 to supply Jubail and its industrial zone and airbase.

The second phase, expected to start production in August 1983, has a capacity of 200 million gallons of water and 1,000 megawatts of power daily. The water output is destined for Riyadh while the electrical power will feed the Consolidated Electricity Corporation of the Eastern Province.



Majed visits center for blind

JEDDAH, May 12 (SPA) — Makkah Governor Prince Majed Monday evening attended the annual closing ceremony of the activities of Al-Amal institute for blind girls. He was met on arrival by Dr. Abdullah Al-Zaid, director general of education for the Western Province; and other officials.

The prince toured the institute and a plastic arts exhibitions organized for the occasion. He also witnessed its artistic and technical activities. The supervisor of the institute expressed her gratitude to King Khalid and Crown Prince Fahd for their genuine efforts and continuous assistance to the institute. She also thanked Prince Majed and the attendance for honoring the institute with their presence.

Children presented several plays and chanted national songs as part of the ceremony. Taking the floor, Prince Majed said he was impressed with what he had seen. He expressed his appreciation to Dr. Zaid and hoped the staff and students of the institute further success.

Palestine Week set

MAKKAH, May 12 (SPA) — Makkah's Ummul Qura University will organize the Palestine Week as of Sunday in cooperation with the Popular Committee for the Welfare of Palestinian Martyrs and Fighters' families.

U.S. treasury secretary visit nears

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP) — U.S. Treasury Secretary Donald T. Regan will visit four Mideast countries, including Saudi Arabia, to discuss energy and other economic issues in a week-long trip beginning Friday, department officials said Monday.

Regan will attend a meeting of the U.S.-Saudi Arabian joint commission on economic cooperation at Riyadh Friday, the department said in a news release. Regan is co-chairman of the commission. The treasury secretary will also meet with senior officials of the Saudi Arabian government before flying to Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates next Monday and Tuesday "to make official contacts with the leaders of these two Gulf

states and to exchange views on economic issues," the release said.

Regan will then travel to Libreville, Gabon remaining there Wednesday through Friday, as head of the U.S. delegation to meetings of the interim and development committees on the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

Officials accompanying him to the four nations will include his undersecretary for monetary affairs, Beryl Sprinkel, and his assistant secretary for international affairs Marc E. Leland, the release said. It said, "Financial, energy and global economic matters will be the focus of the discussions in each of these countries."

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Kingdom chosen for world labor council

By Adnan Sadeg
Riyadh Bureau

RIYADH, May 12 — Saudi Arabia was chosen to be a member of the Advisory Council of the International Labor Studies Institute in Geneva, which is an off-shoot of the 142-member International Labor Organization.

The Kingdom was chosen because of the role it plays as a leader in the Islamic world. "Representatives of Western countries in the institute realized they are facing a desperate situation since their intellectuals are unable to face the prevailing Western trends that undermine all values and beliefs," said Dr. Yassin Saleh Underqiri, Saudi Arabia's assistant undersecretary for labor and social affairs.

Underqiri also is the Kingdom's representative to the council and board chairman of the Technical and Vocational Training and Research Center for Islamic countries.

Council members thought Islam and Muslim thinking would be the best safeguard against such devastating (Western) currents, hence their invitation to Saudi Arabia to become a member, Underqiri added.

The council is made up of five members from among prominent economists, educationists and labor experts appointed by consultation with the United Nations secretary general, UNESCO's director general, and the head of the ILO. They work with members of the institute's board of trustees representing the ILO's administrative council.

The ILO groups government representatives, business owners and representatives of workers. The institute plays a major part in orienting labor and social policy studies and research through publications and mass media. It also greatly influences the ILO's agreements and recommendations which regulates socio-economic affairs of the world over.

The council holds several meetings a year in Geneva and the coming session will be at the end of May. The selection of Saudi Arabia was based on the council's weighing of colonialism in world history, Underqiri said. "They found that Islamic communities resisted all kinds of ideologies and trends for hundreds of years as a result of their attach-



ATTENTIVE: Dr. Yassin Saleh Underqiri (second from left) listens to discussions during a recent meeting of the Advisory Council of the International Labor Studies Institute in Geneva.

ment to Islam, thus preserving their identity and values," the official added.

Dr. Underqiri told *Arab News* he will always seek the help of Islamic universities and scholars to shed light on and disseminate Islamic thoughts and values at the council and through it. Islamic economic and social values will, God willing, play a great part in bringing about peace and prosperity to man-kind, he said.

He pointed out that, aware of the importance of the institute, Saudi Arabia already gave it a substantial donation and will continue its assistance.

He also said that at the council's coming meeting this month, Saudi Arabia will propose holding seminars and the organization of training courses as well as the publication of Islamic socio-economic research works on labor.

Such works will pinpoint the major aspects of Islamic Sharia Laws governing work, economy and development. Islam soon will occupy its natural place everywhere on earth, Underqiri said.

Talks focus on Jeddah

JEDDAH, May 12 (SPA) — Jeddah Mayor Muhammad Said Farisi met with Dr. Abdul Majeed Daghstani, head of the Jeddah projects scientific coordination committee, Tuesday. They discussed the latest developments in the city's projects in the light of the Municipality budget this year.

Jeddah municipality was allocated SR3.851 billion. The meeting was attended by representatives of international companies involved in Jeddah's projects and concerned government departments.

Credentials presented

JEDDAH, May 12 (SPA) — Deputy Foreign Minister Abdul Aziz Al-Thumayan separately received the new Philippines Ambassador Benjamin T. Romualdez and Italian Ambassador Marcello Salimei Tuesday. The two ambassadors presented a copy of their credentials. They will be received by King Khalid to present their credentials formally.

West defends AWACS sale during speech

By Cynthia Shanley
Houston Bureau

SAN FRANCISCO, California, May 12 — John C. West, former United States ambassador to Saudi Arabia, expressed his concern over what he called the "shortsightedness" of those people who say Saudi Arabia does not need AWACS.

As a participant in a panel discussion on "American Strategic Interest in the Middle East" at the ninth annual National Arab-American Association at the St. Francis Hotel, West said, "The oil fields of Saudi Arabia are very vulnerable to potential attacks, bombs and sabotage." He suggested that a single bomb, properly placed, could wreck the United States' and possibly the entire world's economy.

If the AWACS sale falls through, there will be a series loss of U.S. credibility, West predicted. And the Saudi Arabians will look elsewhere as they already have shown with their recent purchase of military equipment from France, he added.

"But the worst thing that could happen would be to prove that a foreign government (Israel) has veto power over the foreign policy of the United States," the former ambassador said.

The ambassador's remarks drew a round of applause from the NAAA audience. The NAAA strongly supports the Reagan Administration's decision to seal air defense equipment to the Kingdom.

In a major position paper released May 7, the NAAA said President Reagan should be given "full support in Congress for his decision to sell supplemental air defense equipment in the form of add-on items for Saudi Arabia's fleet of F-15s, aerial tankers and AWACS (Airborne Warning and Command System Aircraft).

The NAAA defended its position by saying the sale would strengthen American national interest by meeting the legitimate needs of a major friend and trading partner in the Middle East. The group added that the sale adds to U.S. strategic ability to defend against potential Soviet threats.

Along with former ambassador West, other distinguished guests and speakers from around the world participated in the NAAA convention. The speakers included former U.S. ambassador to Qatar Andrew Kilgore; Alan Gaulty, first secretary from Great Britain's embassy; Dr. Hatem Hussaini, director of the Palestine information office; Ambassador Ali Hadda of Tunisia; and dean of the Arab ambassadors to the United States, Dr. Clovis Maksoud.

The third day of convention activities was highlighted by an afternoon of panel discussion and presentations covering a wide range of contemporary issues.



SIGNING: Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah signs the SR3.26 billion contract for building the second phase of the National Guard's housing program. Seen with Prince Abdullah are Education Minister Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Khwaiter (right) and Deputy National Guard Commander Prince Badr (left).

Youths urged to honor traditions

MAKKAH, May 12 (SPA) — Prince Abdullah Al-Faisal, elder son of King Faisal and prominent Arab poet, Monday called on Saudi Arabian youths not to imitate the West, but to stick to their own traditions.

The statement was made during a dialogue organized by Makkah's literary club during which he also dealt with the traditional respect of a person's neighbor and marriage problems. Mayor Abdul Qader Koshak and other notables also were present.

To explore foundry market

Pakistan official plans visit

JEDDAH, May 12 — A top executive of Pakistan's biggest heavy foundry and forge complex will arrive in the Kingdom soon to explore marketing prospects for the products of the state-owned concern, the Pakistan embassy reported Tuesday.

The embassy told *Arab News* that Chaudhry Nasir Elahi, who heads the sales and marketing division of the complex, will be in the Kingdom for several days. He will visit the business centers of Riyadh, Jeddah and Dammam.

The businessman specifically will explore prospects for the marketing of lining plates, grinding media and forgings and castings for cement factories, crushing rolls and other parts of sugar mills, the embassy said. Chaudhry will hold meetings with businessmen and importers and will negotiate business deals.

Apart from meeting the requirements for

castings and forgings for the national railway, automobile, cement, sugar, steel, oil-drilling, re-rolling and agricultural engineering industries, the complex has been yielding substantial surpluses.

The management of the complex recently has mounted a major drive to channel the surplus into export outlets. The official's visit forms part of the drive, the embassy added.

Bangladeshi stopover

JEDDAH, May 12 (SPA) — Bangladesh's Foreign Minister Prof. Shamsul Haq stopped over here Monday on his way to Baghdad. He was met at the airport by Sheikh Salem Sunbul, the head of the Foreign Ministry Protocol; Ambassador Arshad-uz-Zaman, assistant secretary general for political affairs and information of the Organization of the Islamic Conference; and his country's ambassador to Saudi Arabia Humayun Chowdhry.

Prayer Times

Wednesday	Makkah	Medina	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tabuk
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Dhuhr (Noon)	12.17	12.18	11.49	11.36	12.00	12.30
Asr (Evening)	3.35	3.43	3.15	3.05	3.30	4.04
Maghreb (Sunset)	6.52	6.58	6.29	6.19	6.43	7.17
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Offended by letter

Costa Rica breaks relations with Cuba

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica, May 12 (AP) — Costa Rica has broken diplomatic relations with Cuba because of the wording of a Cuban communication to the United Nations, Foreign Minister Bernd Niehaus said.

The Foreign Ministry released a communique Monday saying the break in relations was in response to the "offensive tone" used by Cuban officials in reaction to a letter the Costa Rican government had sent U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim about political prisoners in Cuba.

Niehaus said Costa Rica had protested the alleged mistreatment of political prisoners in Cuba before the U.N. Human Rights Commission on Dec. 9, 1980, and that in response Cuba had accused Costa Rica of joining a "counterrevolutionary campaign against Cuba organized by the imperialist government of the United States."

In a letter to the United Nations dated Dec. 30, 1980, which was only recently made available to the Costa Rican government, the charge of affairs of the Cuban U.N. mission,

Felix Pita Astudillo charged Costa Rican representatives of "lying without blushing about the treatment of prisoners in Cuba."

The text of the Cuban letter was released by the Foreign Ministry. It openly accused Costa Rica of "seeking pretexts for not joining the international community in condemning the brutal assassinations and other violations of human rights committed by the regimes of El Salvador, Bolivia and Chile."

Costa Rica establishment diplomatic relations with Cuba in February 1977 under the government of then-president Daniel Douber. The communique Monday said Costa Rica "cannot permit the insulting terms used by the Cuban government against Costa Rica and its government," adding that the offenses "break the framework of mutual respect, a mark of international relations between states." The break in relations is reportedly effective immediately. Cuban diplomats were not available for comment and there was no word on how much time they have been given to close their offices here.

UNICEF needs more funds

Number of poor kids rising

UNITED NATIONS, May 12 (AP) — The head of the U.N. Children's Fund asked his executive board for more money Monday on the grounds that the number of desperately poor children in the world is on the increase.

"The global economic crisis combining recession with inflation in most countries appears to have settled in for at least the early and possibly the mid-1980s," said Executive Director James P. Grant. "For the first time in many years the absolute numbers of children living in abject poverty is rising significantly."

He said a recent report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination, made up of heads of the United Nations and related agencies, declared that unless countermeasures were taken, there would be an increase in "the number of the absolute poor from an estimated 800 million to one billion persons" by 1990.

Grant said nearly two-thirds of those living in absolute poverty are "children and mothers of small children," the great majority of whom are without access to basic services. The fund is still commonly called UNICEF from its original name of U.N. International Children's Emergency Fund.

In the opening speech of the UNICEF board's 1981 session, the executive director asked the board to approve new program commitments totaling \$364 million. That was \$34 million above the total that had been discussed before — a total that included the \$320 million for 1981 that the board had talked about last year plus an extra \$10 million for Africa added at a January special session.

Grant said UNICEF, which is supported by voluntary contributions, might get as much as \$100 million a year from the Arab states as a result of recent efforts of its special envoy, Prince Talal Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud of Saudi Arabia.

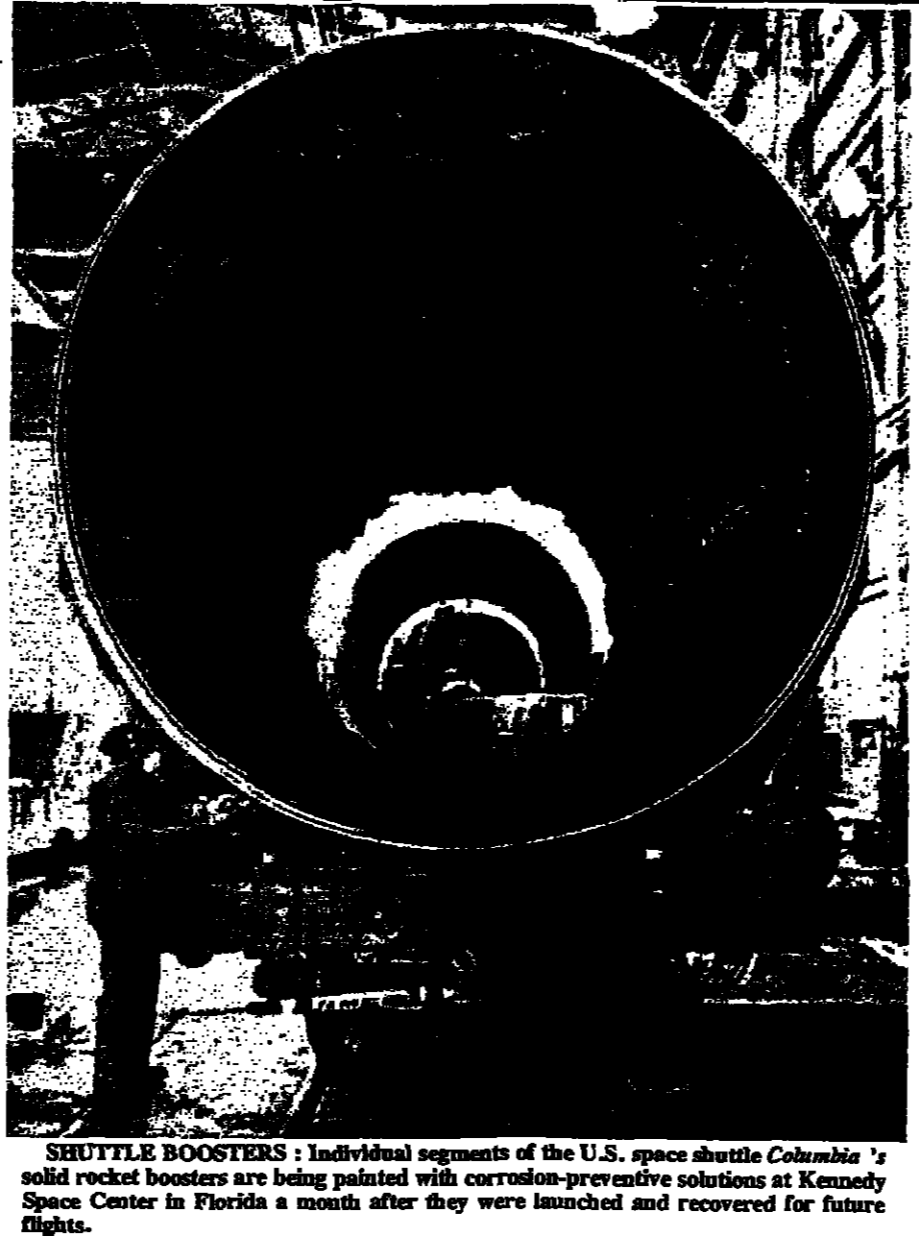
He said there had been major UNICEF initiatives to get contributions not only from the higher-income oil-exporting nations but also from industrialized countries.

Paul Bog of Norway, chairman of the board, presided over the meeting, the first in a session to run through May 22. Nils Thedin of Sweden argued that the United Nations should find a better way to give aid in emergency than now available to it.

He said UNICEF had performed admirably in the Cambodian emergency, in which thousands of people were fed, but added that the operation had "placed a severe strain on UNICEF, its staff and resources."

Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim had made UNICEF the lead agency of the U.N. system for aid to the Cambodians.

Thedin endorsed the board's finding that emergency aid should be limited in extent and not become a major UNICEF concern.



SHUTTLE BOOSTERS: Individual segments of the U.S. space shuttle Columbia's solid rocket boosters are being painted with corrosion-preventive solutions at Kennedy Space Center in Florida a month after they were launched and recovered for future flights.

Mitterrand against penalty

French may escape guillotine

PARIS, May 12 (AFP) — Five convicted French murderers, sentenced to death, are almost certain to escape the guillotine and be given life imprisonment. For president-elect Francois Mitterrand is a fervent opponent of capital punishment.

On March 16 he said in a television interview: "In the depths of my conscience, I am against the death penalty." He added: "Most French people support it. Well, I am a candidate for the presidency and I can say what I think — my spiritual options, my beliefs and my care for civilization are against the death penalty."

France is the only European country which has a death penalty and carries it out, although more and more rarely in the past 10 years.

Nairobi plot accused declared mentally ill

NAIROBI, Kenya, May 12 (AP) — A Nairobi businessman accused of plotting to overthrow President Daniel Arap Moi has been declared mentally ill by two psychiatrists, his attorney has disclosed.

Attorney Brian Georgiadis revealed the results of the psychiatric examinations during cross-examination of a prosecution witness at the treason trial of businessman Andrew Muthemba.

Georgiadis told high court judge Alfred Simpson Monday that details of the psychiatric examinations would be disclosed when the defense presents its case, possibly later this week or next week. Muthemba, 45, faces a mandatory death sentence if convicted.

Political observers here believe that the National Assembly will abolish it.

The five murderers are: Philippe Maurice, 28, sentenced to death on Oct. 28, 1980 for shooting a policeman. His appeal has been rejected and only a last-minute presidential reprieve can save him. It is unlikely that in the next few days President Valery Giscard d'Estaing will, in one of his last official acts, send him to the guillotine.

Maurice's case has been headlined here because of the nature of his crime and the fact that he is the son of a police officer, and also because he tried, and failed, to shoot his way out of the death cell in Fresnes prisoner with the alleged complicity of his young woman lawyer. A prison warden was seriously wounded.

Police said that the lawyer handed over a revolver to Maurice when she was allowed to see him about preparing an appeal. The revolver was allegedly provided by Maurice's older brother, then an escaped prisoner, who is back in jail and has admitted the Fresnes escape bid.

Yves Maupetit went on a drunken shoot-out with a woman accomplice and killed a young couple. He was given the death sentence on Jan. 15, 1981.

Jean-Jacques Nicolas was sentenced to death on Nov. 26, 1980 for a "crime passionnel" although the public prosecutor only requested life imprisonment.

Paul Laplace and Bruno Albedeo were sentenced to death on Jan. 28, 1981 for the cold-blooded murder of a petrol pump assistant. The last execution in France was on Sept. 10, 1970.

'Biggest scandal'

Freemason probe casts shadow over top Italians

ROME, May 12 (AFP) — The investigation against a Freemason's lodge is casting a darkening shadow over some of the country's leading citizens in a probe that has put the whole of Italian freemasonry under suspicion.

With the grand master and deputy of one lodge charged with "associating with criminals", the probe has now pulled in a former senior prosecutor and a former secret service chief for their alleged involvement in what the weekly magazine *Espresso* describes as "the biggest scandal in the history of the Italian republic."

There are about 18,000 Freemasons in Italy, organized in 500 lodges, but the P-2 (Propaganda-2) lodge in Rome is the main target of police charges and press attacks. This lodge has about 800 members, many of them ministers and generals or holding influential political, diplomatic, industrial and financial posts.

The lodge is accused of being "a center of occult power" by magistrates investigating its activities, according to the press. The magistrates are thinking of sending a special initial report on P-2 to President Sandro Pertini.

According to the press, P-2 meetings were an excuse for arranging massive bribes and trafficking of all kinds. *Espresso* claimed that P-2 members were involved in every financial swindle of the past many years and noted that Italian international banker Michele Sindona, sentenced to 20 years jail in the United States for fraud, is a former member.

Licio Gello, the grand master of P-2, fled to a South American country last month after police searched his home at Arezzo, Tuscany. His deputy, retired carabinieri Gen. Francesco Picchiotti, is one of a dozen persons whom the Rome prosecutor Domenico Sica has named as being able to help his investigations into P-2.

Two others named are Dr. Arvelo Spagnuolo, former prosecutor general of the Rome Supreme Appeals Court and Col. Antonio Viezzer, former chief of the S.I.O., Italian secret service. Police are searching all their homes. Col. Viezzer had publicly denied membership of P-2.

Perhaps the feeling of most Italians is best summed up by President Pertini who said: "It is inadmissible that secret societies are allowed to exist in this country."

BRIEFS

MIAMI, Florida, (AFP) — Bob Marley, 36, noted Jamaican music star, died here Monday of cancer, it was announced at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital. The son of a British army officer and a Jamaican woman, he founded a highly popular group of musicians, the Wailers, in 1964.

THE HAGUE, (AFP) — The Netherlands Monday downgraded its embassy in Peking to a "bureau of charge d'affaires" in complying with a Chinese government demand. The move follows a dispute between the two countries over the Netherlands' decision to sell two submarines to the Republic of China.

RANGOON, Burma, (AP) — Some 35,000 persons were left homeless in a fore Monday which killed five and ravaged a large section of Mandalay, northern Burma, officials reported Tuesday. The fire was put under control after several hours. Property loss was put at about \$10 million.

CANNES, France, (R) — Nearly 60,000 film industry professionals from around the world are expected in this French Riviera resort for the 34th Cannes film festival which opens Wednesday. Some 500 films will be shown during the next two weeks, including competitors for the Golden Palm which is awarded by a nine-man jury presided over this year by French film director Jacques Deray.

KATHMANDU, Nepal, (AP) — Prime Minister Surya Bahadur Thapa was elected to the new 111-member national assembly by an overwhelming majority in his Dhankuta constituency in east Nepal, election officer declared Monday. Vote-counting is underway in this Himalayan kingdom's first popular election in a generation for the non-partisan national assembly.

Plot to kill Indira alleged

NEW DELHI, May 12 (Agencies) — Indian Home Affairs Minister Zail Singh was quoted Monday as saying that "some disgruntled opposition elements" in the country were plotting to kill Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.

Singh told the United News of India (UNI) at Chandigarh in northern India that discontented politicians, who were aware that they could not unseat Mrs. Gandhi in elections, were behind attempts on the 63-year-old leader's life. He did not, however, identify those whom he accused of plotting against Mrs. Gandhi. He told UNI that his ministry has taken "adequate security steps" to safeguard the "precious life" of the Prime Minister.

Mrs. Gandhi, currently in the United Arab Emirates, left for a three-nation tour last Tuesday. The Indian parliament was told April 27 that saboteurs prior to a April 20 damaged vital control systems of a jetliner earmarked for fly her two weeks later on the foreign tour.

Singh earlier told parliament in New Delhi that the "possibility of a foreign hand" in the sabotage of the plane was among matters under consideration. In April, 1980, a young man, Ram Lalwani, was arrested in New Delhi for hurling a spring knife at Mrs. Gandhi that missed her. The man was charged with attempted murder and the case is still pending.

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He is President of Honour of the Federation of Hotel and Restaurant Association of India and a member of the Board of Directors of Indian Airlines. Mr. Oberoi has also been a member of both houses of the Indian Parliament for over a decade.

Mr. Oberoi lives on a farm near Delhi and continues to take a keen interest in the affairs of his Company. He still retains an old fashioned humility about himself. "I have been able to accept the challenge and made good". He adds, "There is comfort in knowing that whatever little I have achieved has also helped to raise the prestige of my country"

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The Company also supplies catering services to the Abdulla Fouad Hospital in Dammam.

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SARDAR MOHAMMAD HAROON KHAN has been appointed as Director Sales and Marketing, Hotel Dammam Oberoi and Oberoi Hotels International and brings along with him 22 years of experience in the field of Sales and Marketing. He has served with Caltex Oil (Pakistan) Ltd and General Motors Corp/Ghandhara Industries Ltd in Pakistan holding important executive positions. He has gained valuable experience in the hotel industry by serving in the "Intercontinental Hotels Corporation", initially as Sales Manager, Hotel Intercontinental, Karachi and later promoted to Area Sales Director for Central Asia, responsible for the marketing of all the Intercontinental Hotels in Central Asia, through their respective sales managers.

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THE 15 STOREY HOTEL DAMMAM OBEROI built at a cost of 170,000,000 Saudi Riyals, is a luxury hotel, consisting of 308 rooms including 3 Royal Suites, 18 Executive Suites and 19 Junior Suites. This hotel has been designed especially for businessmen and has computerised reservations and accounting facilities. There is also a special businessman centre at the hotel where secretarial services in two languages plus photocopying and telex services are provided. The latest in telephone systems has been installed which features direct dialing around the world.

The hotel has 3 restaurants: a Grill room, a Coffee Shop and a Chinese Restaurant. A conference cum banquetting facility for 600 persons plus a separate minor conference facility on the roof top for 75 persons has been provided. The hotel has a large swimming pool and an additional kiddie pool set in a tropical landscape. A health club with gymnasium, tennis courts and a shopping arcade which includes a travel counter are among the other services which are available. Parking has been provided for 160 cars, of which 50% will be covered.

SHIV MOHAN MEHRA

Mr. Shiv Mehra, the General Manager of Hotel Dammam Oberoi is no new hand in Saudi Arabia. He has been the General Manager of the Dammam Hotel for the last 4 years and has taken over the management of Hotel Dammam Oberoi as of the beginning of the year.



Mr. Shiv Mehra graduated from the college of Catering, Bombay, India in 1962. A Fellow of the Hotel Catering and Institutional Management Association of the U.K. Fellow of the Royal Society of Health, Fellow of the Food and Cookery Association, he has worked in various capacities in hotels all over the world. Mr. Mehra was associated with the opening of the Oberoi Hotels in Delhi, Bombay, Colombo, Aswan and Dammam.

A disciple of the motto—"The customer is always right"; Mr. Mehra believes that the customer knows what he wants and he will come to you if you provide the service he requires at the price he can afford

Mr. Mehra brings to the Hotel Dammam Oberoi, a wealth of experience and talent gained in 20 years of hotel management.

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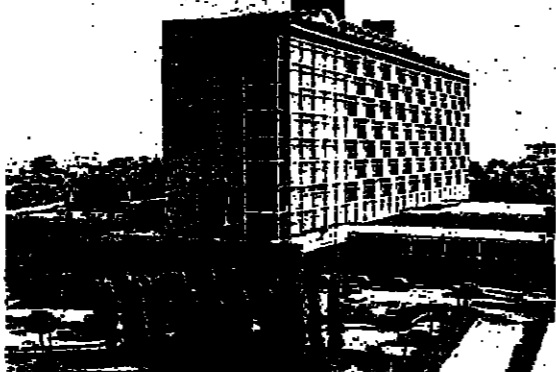
The Civil Works Company, the proprietor of the Hotel Dammam Oberoi, is a partnership of some of the most successful businessmen in the Kingdom. The partners are Abdullah Fouad, Rashid Al Rashid, Ali Tamimi and AbdulAziz and Omran Al Omran. Between them they have far ranging interests such as construction companies, pipelines, investment companies, hotels, hospitals, cement and steel supplies, supermarkets, banking and building material among others.

The Civil Works Company is primarily engaged in construction and has constructed among others the Hotel Dammam Oberoi and Dammam Hotel.

Among the future construction plans is an exhibition centre in Dammam next to the Hotel Dammam Oberoi.



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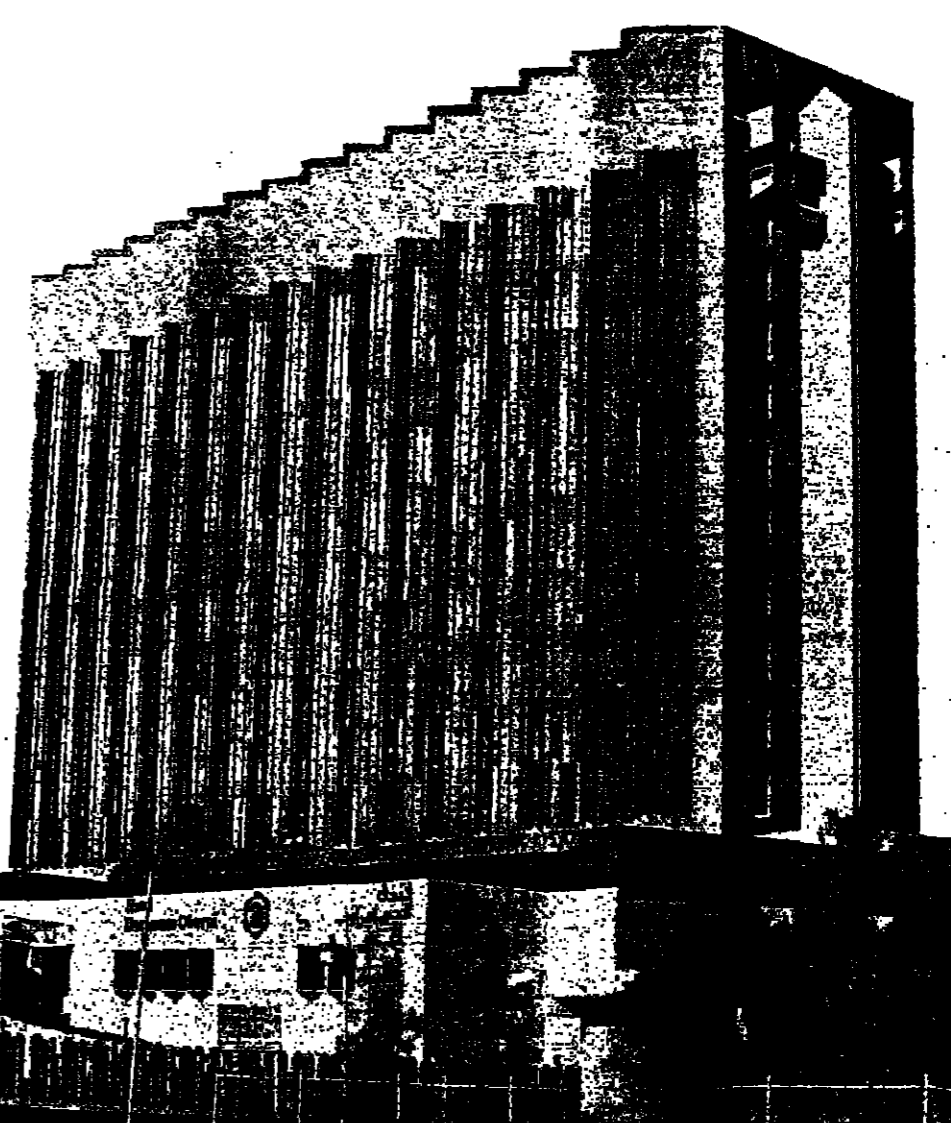
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Elegance, comfort, service, information and recreation, these were the guidelines for the planning of the Hotel Dammmam Oberoi

In 1977, Oberoi Hotels along with Messrs Khatib & Alami, the Architects and Dale Keller Associates, the Interior Designers, made a detailed research and study into the needs of the business traveller coming to Saudi Arabia. Every aspect of the needs of the traveller and how they could be met were studied.

A comfortable and elegant hotel in an inhospitable climate was a must. 13 hrs out of New York into a dusty humid climate is a climatic shock which few people can take in their stride. An elegant and comfortable hotel helps to mitigate the shock.

Service, one of the most elusive commodities in modern times, requires planning. The best interviewed staff are helpless unless a hotel is designed for efficient service. Much thought and planning went into designing of this hotel for fast and efficient service.

To the business traveller reliable information at his fingertips is an invaluable asset. To achieve this, we have established a businessman's centre which has computer indexed information relevant to the business traveller, so that relevant information is available in the shortest possible time. The businessman's centre also offers secretarial service, translation facilities, photocopying (with enlargement and reduction facilities), telex facilities and the guest can also set an office for the duration of his stay if he so desires. All this in one compact and central place.

Recreation is a must in a country where diversions are few. To this end we have planned a health club with gymnasium, sauna and massage, tennis courts, swimming pool and an indoor games complex which includes billiards and table tennis.

The construction of the 15 floors luxury hotel started on 1st May 1978 and was completed at a cost of SR 170,000,000 at the beginning of this year, and was carried out by a joint venture of Civil Works Co. and Korea Development Corporation. The civil and mechanical workmanship are comparable with any first class building anywhere in the world. Due credit is given to the contractors for maintaining the highest standards while being on schedule.

The hotel features three excellent restaurants and an extensive banqueting and conference facility. The Al Ghazal restaurant is the grill room where prime American beef, fresh native lamb, milk fed Kansas veal and fresh lobsters from the Red Sea along with tempting Lebanese Messa are at the command of the gourmet. A visit to the Al Ghazal is an experience not lightly forgotten.

Le Chinois is the roof top Chinese restaurant serving authentic Cantonese food with a panoramic view of Dammam Port and the Arabian Gulf, this restaurant is a must for Chinese food fans. A brigade of Chinese cooks from Singapore toss up such delicacies as to delight the palate.

The Al Bustan Coffee Shop, a 24-hour cafe for quick meals, refreshments or snacks, a buffet set up with the complement of hot and cold delicacies, is ideal for the busy businessman.



Sheikh Abdulla Fouad addressing the distinguished visitors at the opening of Hotel Dammmam Oberoi.



Mr. Rashed Al Rashed with Deputy Governor of the Eastern Region Sheikh Turki Al Otaishan



Deputy Governor of the Eastern Region Sheikh Turki Al Otaishan along with distinguished guests.



Some of the distinguished visitors, in the forefront Mr. P.R.S. Oberoi, Deputy Chairman of Oberoi Hotels and Mr. G.K. Khanna, Director of Oberoi Hotels.



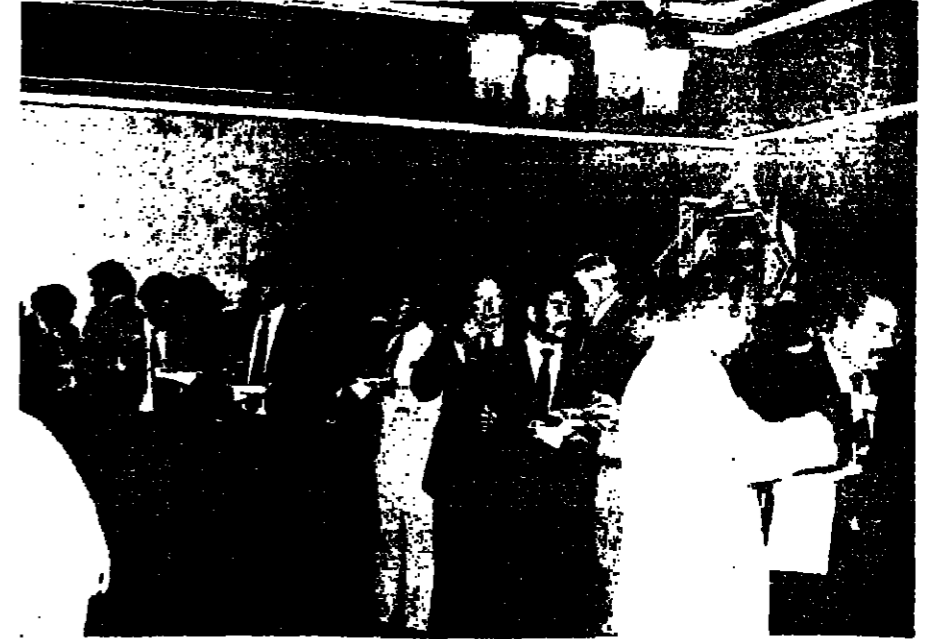
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Left to right Sheikh Ali Tamimi, Partner, Civil Works Company, Mr. P.R.S. Oberoi, Deputy Chairman, Oberoi Hotels and Mr. Abdulla Al Rashed.



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Some of the distinguished visitors in the grand ballroom

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In just 54 seconds

Cooney pins Norton to canvas

NEW YORK, May 12 (AP) — Gerry Cooney's Madison Square Garden fight against Ken Norton Monday night lasted only 54 seconds, but that was long enough to scare Cooney.

The unbeaten Cooney smashed Norton senseless with a savage head barrage and said, "I was hitting him and I got a little frightened because he was unconscious on the ropes."

"I kind of knew he was out," said the power-punching Long Island Irishman. "It came across to me that I might hurt him seriously."

Cooney unleashed six hard shots to the head as he had Norton trapped in Norton's corner. The veteran fighter's eyes rolled back into his head and he slumped to the canvas. Referee Tony Perez didn't even start to count.

Cooney leaped into the air in celebration while Norton's handlers and a doctor scrambled into the ring to aid the fallen fighter. Norton left the ring under his own power.

"I guess I was unconscious," said Norton. Then he added: "I'm not sure that I'm through." But the man who once held the World Boxing Council heavyweight title and twice fought for the universal crown certainly is through as a major factor in the heavyweight division. While Norton ponders his fighting future, Cooney looks toward a title.

"All it means is that I'm one step closer to my goal the heavyweight championship," said Cooney. "I don't brag. As long as I follow Victor's (trainer Victor Valde) instructions, I'll be okay." Whatever Valde told Cooney Monday night certainly worked. And it almost assuredly made his next fight a title bout.

Cooney will next challenge World Boxing Association champion Mike Weaver. That fight reportedly already is signed, but could run into legal problems involving promoter Bob Arum, who claims to have ties to Weaver.

Don King, Arum's major promotional rival, was at ringside and immediately called for Cooney to fight WBC champion Larry Holmes. King said he would offer Cooney a \$1.5-million guarantee for that fight and that he could make even more on a percentage basis through closed-circuit television.

Cooney came out punching and quickly had Norton in trouble. "It started when I hit him with a right hand and then I caught him in the body. I heard him gasp, then he came inside," said Cooney.

Norton was shaken by the right hand to the head and left to the body. He fought back briefly, then was trapped in the corner. He blocked several shots, but the six lefts and rights slammed home and it was over.

Cooney's big victory and Norton's bitter defeat came exactly four years to the night that Norton had knocked out then highly regarded Duane Bobick 58 seconds into a scheduled 10-round bout at the Garden.

It was the second one-round knockout loss for Norton in his last four fights. After losing the WBC title to Larry Holmes in 1978, Norton was kayoed in the first round by Earnie Shavers March 23, 1979, then held to a 10-round draw by Scott Ledoux on Aug. 19 of that year. He then announced his retirement.

But Norton did not like the way his career ended. And last Nov. 7, at the age of 35 — many boxing people think he's older — Norton came back and won a split 10-round decision over previously unbeaten Randy Cobb. That set up an \$850,000 payday against

Cooney. He never made quicker or harder money.

A estimated crowd of 11,000, paying a top ticket price of \$200, showed up on a rainy night to see if Norton could handle the power-punching Cooney. It didn't take them long to find out.

Cooney, who weighed 225 1/2 (102 kg), came in to the ring looking cool. He left it without breaking a sweat with his 25th victory and 21st knockout. And an easy million-dollar payday. It was his second consecutive first-round kayo, having stopped Ron Lyle in the opening round last Oct. 25.

For Norton, it was his seventh loss against 42 victories and a draw. Norton, who has made two motion pictures, got the idea of coming back one day at acting class. It should be back to acting now for the man who many people think beat Muhammad Ali for the title in 1976 although Ali won a unanimous but close and controversial decision.

The fight originally was supposed to be part of a major Feb. 23 promotion called "this is it." But that fell apart when promoter Harold Smith, later disclosed to be Ross Fields, was charged with fraud in a suit filed by the Wells Fargo National Bank.

That card was also supposed to have three world title bouts. But what the fans got three months later was 54 seconds of one-sided savagery.

Meanwhile, Heavyweight Marvis Frazier, son of a world champion boxer, won his fourth consecutive fight as a professional in New York Monday night when he stopped Steve Zouski in the final round of a six-round match at Madison Square Garden.

The bout was even after four rounds, but Frazier rallied late in the fifth and had Zouski Groggy in the final seconds.

The 20-year-old son of former heavyweight champion Joe Frazier continued his domination in the sixth round and staggered Zouski several times before referee Billy Graham stopped the fight.

Orantes shocked by Hjertquist

HAMBURG, West Germany, May 12 (AP) — Sweden's Per Hjertquist provided opening day fireworks Monday at the 75th German International Tennis Championships with a stunning 7-5, 2-6, 6-3, upset over veteran Manuel Orantes.

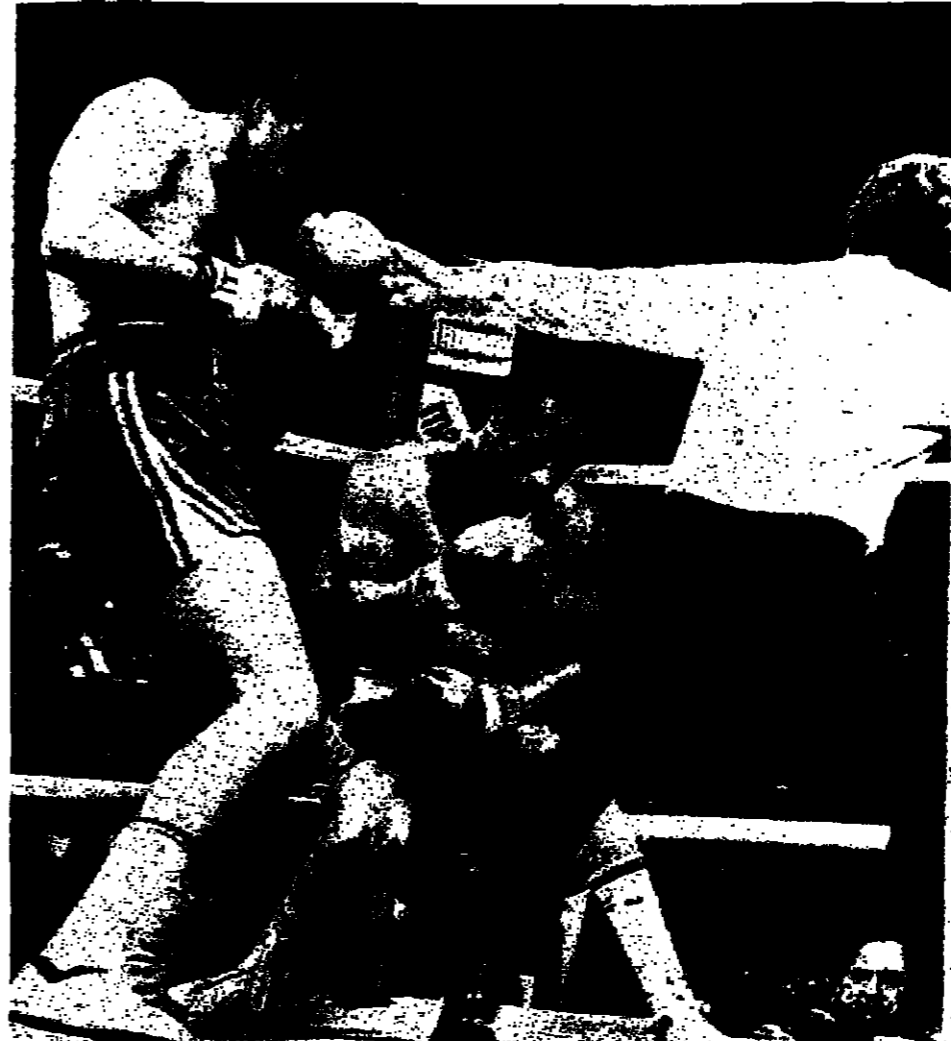
The veteran Spanish star, who made it into the quarterfinals of the German International last year, complained of arm pains and had no chance after falling behind 0-4 in the third set.

IBF-WBF to merge

TOKYO, May 12 (R) — Two international badminton organizations will be merged to form a new federation later this month, the Japan Badminton Association said Monday at a joint signing ceremony for reunion will be held here on May 26 between the International Badminton Federation (IBF) and the World Badminton Federation (WBF), the Association said.

Some Asian and African nations established the WBF when they left following disputes over Republic of China and South Africa.

According to the Association, Republic of China has agreed to use China-Taipei as its official name, as demanded by Peking, while South Africa has decided not to join the new unified body.



DOWN HE GOES: Unbeaten heavyweight Gerry Cooney stands over a slumping Ken Norton as referee Tony Perez reaches to stop the fight after 54 seconds of the 1st round of their scheduled 10 round bout at Madison Square Garden Monday.

With seventh round knockout

Avelar claims WBC title

MITO, Japan May 12 (AP) — Mexican challenger Antonio Avelar scored a seventh round knockout to win the World Boxing Council (WBC) flyweight championship from Japan's world champion Shouma here Tuesday night.

Until the knockout by Avelar, the two boxers were fighting on even terms with the challenger pressing the fight most of the way. Avelar connected with a fast combination of hooks and jabs to floor Oguma in 56 seconds of the seventh round.

Avelar, 22, weighed in at 50.4 kilograms while Oguma, 29, tipped the scales at the division limit of 50.8 kilograms.

The victory was Avelar's 28th and his 23rd knockout against five setbacks. For Oguma, who was making his 11th title defense in an 11-year career, it was his ninth loss against 36 triumphs including 20 kayoes.

Oguma moved into an early lead in the opening round of the scheduled 15-round championship fight. After an even second round Oguma moved in fast with a left and right which caught Avelar by surprise. He countered with left and right uppercuts which missed their mark.

From the fourth round Avelar began finding his range, swarming into Oguma with a flurry of sharp jabs and hooks that shook up the champion.

Oguma, Japan's only world boxing champion when he entered the ring Tuesday night, fought back, countering a series of short left jabs and right straights that did little damage against the taller, scrappy Mexican challenger. The two boxers traded blows as they bounced around the ring but the younger fighter had caught on to the champion's tactics.

Avelar took command from the fifth round, stepping in fast and aggressively trad-

ing blows with Oguma who began feeling the challenger's sharp blows. Oguma countered but landed only one punch to Avelar's three. Scorecards of the three judges — Charles Minker, James Rondeau and Richard Steel, all from the United States — had Avelar leading 58-56 going into the seventh round. The referee, David Pearl, also of the United States, did not score fight.

Avelar earlier predicted that he would score a knockout victory and take the WBC flyweight crown, once held by fellow countryman Miguel Canto, back to Mexico.

Greece pips W. Germany for top spot

ISTANBUL, Turkey, May 12 (AP) — Greece won the challenge round Monday which opened the way for West Germany, Britain and Turkey to participate in the 22nd European Basketball Championship to be held in Czechoslovakia.

The Greek national selection won a total of 10 points in five games, without any loss. The runner-up was West Germany with nine points.

West Germany and Greece played for the top spot in the finals on Monday. The Greek team, which had a winning streak all through the tournament, edged the West Germans 81-79. Britain was third in the over-all standings with seven points, in fourth place, Turkey trailed with seven points, too.

Turkey battled for survival in the contest with a hard-fought win Monday over Sweden, 69-55. Sweden and Belgium were eliminated in the finals.

The top four teams will go to Czechoslovakia for the opening of the European Basketball Championship on May 26.

At the end of Monday's games, the Greek team was given a silver cup as a sign of their outstanding performance.

Meanwhile, officials of FIBA and the Turkish Basketball Federation drew lots for the two groups at a special ceremony in Istanbul's Sports Palace. The first group includes Greece, Britain, France, Czechoslovakia and Spain. This group will hold matches in Bratislava.

The other Group comprising Yugoslavia, Poland, Italy, the Soviet Union, West Germany and Turkey will play in Havlickuv Brod, southeast of Prague.

Petromin registers three-wicket win

JEDDAH, May 12 — Petromin scored a three-wicket victory over M.C.C. in a limited-over cricket match at their home ground during the weekend.

Having skilted out MCC for 75, Petromin hit the required runs for victory in just 17 overs. Khalil with a fine 37 and Rafiq (12) paved the way for Petromin's victory with Shahid capturing the bowling honors.

Brief scores: MCC 75 lost to Petromin 76 for 7 (Khalil 37, Siddiqi 12, Rafiq 12).

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England opts out of Belfast tie

LONDON, May 12 (AP) — The English Football Association Tuesday announced that England would refuse to play Northern Ireland in a British Championship Soccer match scheduled for Belfast Saturday.

The English F.A.'s decision follows the recent death of Irish Republican Army hunger strike Bobby Sands and the subsequent civil unrest in Belfast.

A statement issued by the F.A. said: "In the light of present circumstances, we have reluctantly decided not to fulfil the fixture."

Northern Ireland manager Billy Bingham, whose team won the British Championship last season, said he was "very disappointed" by the news.

"This is a sad day for Irish sport," Bingham added. "I am surprised the F.A. have not tried to rearrange the match, because it means the championship is now 'kaput' (finished)."

"I would have been happy for the team to have played in England if it would have saved the match."

Ted Croker, secretary of the English F.A., said there was no possibility of the fixture being played at an alternative venue. He said the F.A. had "discussed the implications of visiting Northern Ireland with a team at this time" before taking its decision.

The England withdrawal could be followed by similar action from Wales, which is due to play Northern Ireland in Belfast the following week.

The British championship is contested annually by England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales.

There must also be doubts about the World Cup qualifying matches Northern Ireland is scheduled to play against Scotland at Windsor Park in October.

The four British Football Associations will meet later this week to decide the destiny of the two points Northern Ireland and England would have contested.

"Perhaps it will be felt that England have defaulted and the Irish should get the points," said Croker. The English F.A. secretary defended the decision not to play the match.

"The game just was not on any more," he said. "We felt young men over there had their lives at risk and we were not prepared to add to this. We had no alternative but to pull out. The Irish F.A. are disappointed."

England manager Ron Greenwood said: "The decision has been taken and that is it. I have no wish to comment." The England players also have been told not to comment on the decision. It is understood they were not consulted.

Lloyd's knock in vain

David Bairstow boosts Test hopes with fine ton

LONDON, May 12 (AP) — David Bairstow, vying with Paul Downton for the wicket-keeping place in this season's ashes series against Australia, gave his chances a strong boost Monday with a century of stunning quality as he took Yorkshire to a sensational one-wicket win over Derbyshire in the Benson and Hedges Cup competition.

All seemed lost when Yorkshire, chasing Derby's total of 202 for eight in the 55-overs competition, lost its ninth wicket 80 runs short of victory.

But Bairstow transformed the match with an exhibition of riotous hitting, scoring his century in just 108 minutes, including nine cracking sixes.

In a record 10th wicket partnership in the competition, the Yorkshireman received the support he needed from tail-ender Cup debutant Mark Johnson who propped up one end for the last eight overs while his partner blizzed the bowling.

Colin Tunicliffe claimed five wickets for 45 runs for Derbyshire when the early Yorkshire batting crumbled.

Lancashire seemed sure of victory when it amassed an impressive 288 for 9 at Old Trafford. West Indian captain Clive Lloyd slammed only five men back in the pavilion another hard-hitting wicketkeeper, Geoff Humpage, hitting 87 not out.

Derby: Derbyshire 202 for eight (P. Kirsten 65) Yorkshire 203 for nine (D. Bairstow



David Bairstow 103, C. Tunicliffe 5 for 24). Yorkshire won by one wicket. Old Trafford: Lancashire 288 for nine (C. Lloyd 124, D. Lloyd 42, A. Ferreira three for 70). Warwickshire 291 for five (G. Humpage 87 not out, D. Amiss 36). Warwickshire won by five wickets. Hove: Surrey 142 for seven (G. Clinton 46, G. Le Roux three for 38). Sussex 143 for seven (C. Wells 32, R. Jackman three for 27). Sussex won by three wickets. Canterbury: Combined Universities 104 (N. Russon 22, G. Dillely four for 14) Kent 108 for two (R. Woolmer 56 not out, C. Tavare 33). Kent won by eight wickets.



OF NO AVAIL: Clive Lloyd slammed a sparkling century, but his knock of 124 proved in vain as his team, Lancashire were beaten by Warwickshire in the Benson and Hedges cup Monday.

To resolve Cup final via tie-breaker

Managers irked by F.A. decision

LONDON, May 12 (AP) — The destiny of the 100th F.A. Cup final between Manchester City and Tottenham Hotspur could be decided by a European and U.S.-style penalty shoot-out, the Football Association announced Monday.

But the decision immediately angered the managers of both sides, who replay Saturday's drawn game at Wembley this Thursday.

"In its announcement, the F.A. said it has introduced the system to avoid prolonging the prestigious competition beyond the annual domestic international series involving England, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales, which begins on Saturday.

The system, never before used in domestic

competition in this country, means that if the two teams draw again on Thursday after extra-time, the Cup will be decided on penalty-kicks.

Despite his call for some kind of instant settlement of the Cup final to avoid it going to a replay, Manchester John Bond was not pleased with a penalty shoot-out.

"I never said the match should be decided by penalties," said Bond. "I think there are better ways of doing it."

Tottenham assistant manager Peter Shreeve said his side had protested to the F.A. about the decision although he admitted the appeal would probably change nothing.

In its announcement, the F.A. stressed the decision only applied to Thursday's match.

Meanwhile, Dennis Tueart is again in line for a place in the Manchester City outfit as they battle to overcome a log list of injuries. Tueart will probably play if striker Bennett or midfielder Gerry Gow is ruled out. Bennett again has a thigh strain but Gow is the main doubt with a groin strain.

City's other doubts are captain Paul Power and Saturday's hero and villian Tommy Hutchinson and striker Kevin Reeves.

Reeves, coughing up blood at half-time after collecting a rib injury, should recover in time. Hotspurs will have a better idea of their replay team after their 'testimonial match' against West Ham at Tottenham.

Bulgarians looking forward to big victory

SOFIA, May 12 (R) — Bulgaria will be looking for a solid win over Finland in their World Cup Soccer European Group One qualifying match here Wednesday to keep their hopes of reaching next year's finals in Spain.

With West Germany, who have six points from three games, virtually certain to qualify, the battle for the second place in the five-team group is between Bulgaria and Austria. Austria have six points from four matches, while Bulgaria have four from three. "For our boys there is no alternative to victory, and what is more by as many goals as possible, for these might prove decisive in determining the

first two teams in the group. Meanwhile, Romania may depart from their customary cautious approach on foreign soil when they meet Hungary in a vital European Group Four tie Wednesday.

England top the table at present with five points from four games while the Romanians are one point behind with a game in hand. With Norway and Switzerland all but out of the running, only Hungary remain to challenge for the two places in the finals in Spain next year. The Hungarians have played just one game so far, grabbing a valuable away point in Switzerland.

The Hungarians are an exciting and attack-

ing side and the Romanian camp fears that gifted strikers such as Torozcik, Kiss and Fazekas would have little trouble in piercing any blanket defense.

While, Romania fears, Hungary are almost certain to score at least one goal, their football Association vice-president Istvan Kovacs sounded optimistic note when he said: "One point Wednesday and we are virtually certain of Spain."

Fans in 41 countries will be watching Wednesday's finals of the European Cup Football Championships on television. But commentators are calling the match a "Ghost match."

Despite worldwide interest in the match, only 2,025 tickets had been sold as of noon Tuesday. Dusseldorf Stadium seats 70,000.

The reason for the lack of local interest is that the match pits two Soviet bloc teams — F.C. Carl Zeiss Jena of East Germany and Dynamo Tbilisi of the Soviet Union.

Hewitt IRU's first casualty

PRETORIA, May 12 (AFP) — Winger John Hewitt became the Irish Rugby Union side's first casualty of their South African tour Wednesday when he broke down during team practice here.

Dr. Malcolm Little, the tourists' medical officer, reported to team manager Pady Madigan that "Hewitt says he is experiencing a lot of pain in his right thigh. He cannot take his full weight when standing."

The injury occurred within minutes of the start of the 90 minutes training session. "We will have to take a good look at the matter later," he told Madigan.

Hewitt lay on the edge of the Loftus-Versfeld Stadium in Pretoria for the remainder of the practice. Ice blocks were placed on his thigh, but they did not appear to relieve the pain.

Australian skipper optimistic

LONDON, May 12 (AFP) — The first job for the Australian tourists, who arrived in England Tuesday, will be to "sort out" the mechanics of the 100 overs per day rule in Test.

Captain Kim Hughes said, "We have agreed to the principle, the mechanics are something to be worked out. It is not just the bowlers who are responsible for achieving a given rate, but the batsmen, the ground authorities and the umpires. A general all-round effort is needed."

Hughes believes that the key to the six match Test series will be the contest between Australia's new ball bowlers and England's opening batsmen. He said, "Our strength is our two strike bowlers — Dennis Lillee and Rodney Hogg — while England's strength is their first two batsmen, Graham Gooch and Geoff Boycott.

Hughes said, "We have established superiority over England in our last two meetings and we have come here to take back the ashes. It is high time we did, as we have not won a long series in England since 1964."

Australian cricket manager Fred Bennett dismissed speculation that Jeff Thomson would be called into the team when the tourists arrived in London.

Thomson is opening Middlesex's bowling attack this season, but Bennett said, "let us put an end to the speculation here and now. There is no question of Thomson being included in the side and that's the end of the matter."

The Australians arrived under leaden skies and captain Kim Hughes said, "it looks like a typical English summer, but we've come to expect a wet start.

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MAKE THE WHITES HARD AND THE YOLKS SOFT.
SALT, BUT JUST A PINCH OF PEPPER AND DON'T COOK THEM IN GREASE.
IS IT ALL RIGHT IF THE HEN'S NAME WAS GLORIA?
5-13

B.C.
WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE IF YOU CROSSED AN ANT WITH AN ELEPHANT?
A REASON TO DREAD PICTNICS.
5-13

ANDY CAPP
NO WONDER YOU BEAT ME! ERIC SAID YOU FIDDLER THE MARKER BOARD!
ME, YOUR PAL! YOU COULD YOU DO SUCH A THING?
YOU'AD YOUR BACK TO ME.
I ASK THE DAFFTEST QUESTIONS.
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HAGGAR
SUCCESS IS 50% WORK, 50% SKILL AND 50% LUCK!
WHO IS HE?
THAT'S OUR NEW ACCOUNTANT.
5-13

SMALL SOCIETY
HOO-BY! MAYBE IT'S TRUE THAT LIFE BEGINS AT FORTY...
BUT EVERYTHING ELSE BEGINS TO WEAR OUT, FALL OUT, OR SPREAD OUT, TOO!
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WIZARD
TELL ME WHERE YOU HID THE GOLD AND I'LL REDUCE YOUR PUNISHMENT.
...IT'S UNDERNEATH MY FORK!
PUT HIM ON THE SMALL RACK.
5-13

SMITH'S TENNIS CLASS
TWIST SERVE AT A GLANCE.
BOTH IT PUTS AND SIDE SPIN ON THE BALL... CAUSING IT TO GO TO LEFT OF RECEIVER.
NORMAN SERVE.
UNLESS YOU ARE STRONG AND FLEXIBLE, BIG BACK REQUIRED. MY CRETE MUCH STRESS.
PROCEED WITH CAUTION!
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Power of Positive Thinking

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

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♥AKQ105
♦J72
♣AK

EAST
♠J
♥J7432
♦Q10865
♣Q10865

SOUTH
♠KQ98742
♥8
♦64
♣J92

The bidding:

North East South West
1♥ Pass 1♠ 2♣
3♥ Pass 3♠ Pass

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

A defender sees only his own hand and dummy's, but he should be constantly busy constructing and reconstructing declarer's hand so that he can deal with it in the best possible way.

One basic rule of defense is that you almost automatically avoid crediting declarer with a hand that allows him to make the contract. On the contrary, you try to imagine holdings declarer may have that allow you to stop the contract. These imagined holdings may sometimes seem farfetched, but, even so, it's better to think in a positive manner that may lead to defeat of the contract than to think in a negative manner that in effect concedes the contract.

Let's assume you're West, defending against four spades. You cash the king of diamonds and continue with the queen as everyone follows suit.

Looking at dummy's impressive hearts and clubs, you realize that you can't defeat the contract unless your side can score two trump tricks. All your thoughts should therefore be devoted to conjuring up hands South can hold — particularly his trump holding — that will permit the contract to be defeated.

Instead of thinking directly of South's trump holdings, it's probably easier to think of East's possible trump holdings. Some of them will lead to defeat of the contract, if you can arrange to get maximum mileage out of your trumps.

The correct play at trick three is a low diamond! This play will be effective if East ruffs high with any of these four trump holdings: Q-x, J-x, singleton queen, or singleton jack. In all four cases you would make two trump tricks with your A-10, instead of only one, because your partner's high-card ruff promotes your ten into an extra trump trick.

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Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake
FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)
Luck is with you on the job, but you still have to be careful of details. Look for new ways to improve income and status.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)
You'll have a good time with loved ones, if you'll avoid squabbles about money. The late evening may bring a career opportunity.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)
This is no time to bring up old problems. Forget the past and enjoy the present moment. After dark, you'll enjoy pleasure pursuits.

CANCER (June 21 to July 21)
Benefits accrue through friends, but you're easily distracted on the job. Apartment-hunters meet with luck. Family affairs prosper.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 22)
Keep security needs in mind. You may make a decision about a major purchase. Good news highlights the late evening. Be creative.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)
Though you're unusually articulate, you may still misunderstand another's intentions. Financial news is fortunate.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)
Tackle unfinished projects now. Privacy abets accomplishment, if you don't daydream. You'll feel especially creative towards midnight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
New contacts are exciting, but avoid financial dealings with strangers. Enjoy good times, but know when to call it a day.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
Work efforts pay off now. Strive to get ahead. The late evening brings popularity and benefits through friendship. Congratulations!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
Intellectual pursuits bring pleasure. Unexpected news from afar is welcome. Mix business with pleasure and you'll meet with good fortune.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Seek loans for property improvements, but steer clear of dubious schemes. Recreational pursuits bring nice times after dark.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
Don't let preoccupation with your career cause you to miss the chance to improve ties with a close one. Partners bring you luck.

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 41 Powwow site
1 "The Forsyte" poster, with "on"
5 Sauce staple
11 Irish islands
12 Laundry worker
13 Spanish painter
14 Blew the binder
15 Place of abode
17 Suffix for labor
18 Poem
19 Native of Bonn (abbr.)
20 Extra
23 Word with finger or hand
24 Telecast anew
25 Sharpened
28 Mimic
27 Studied, with "over"
28 Chinese pagoda
29 Palm leaf
30 Issue
31 Gunfire
36 Paper pad
38 On a voyage
39 Finally!
40 Headliner

Yesterday's Answer

21 Foreword
22 Swallow
23 Favoring
24 Drum roll
25 Frost
27 River in Nebraska
28 Part company
29 Overweight

31 Imprudent
32 Nick
33 Charles' dog
34 Equipment
35 Famed gun-fighter
37 Disappear

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NO EXAMX PE UMP XMDTJPD.

— IMXPNM LGFXJMD REKIMD
Yesterday's Cryptquote: THE BEST THROW OF THE DICE IS TO THROW THEM AWAY—SOURCE: OBSCURE

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7:04	Swin Family Robinson	12:00	World News
7:57	Bonus	12:15	World News
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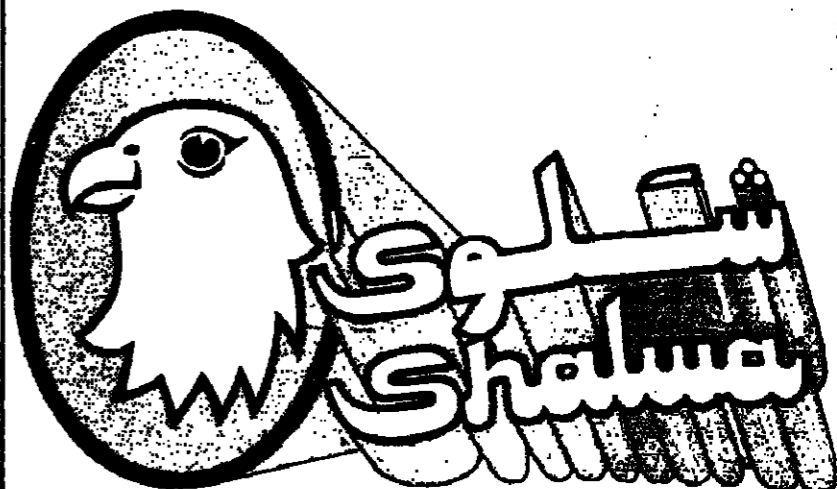
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Violence flares in Ireland

Another IRA man set to die in Maze

BELFAST, May 12 (Agencies) — Jailed guerrilla Francis Hughes Tuesday seemed set to become the second Irish Republican Army hunger striker to die in British-ruled Northern Ireland this month. Hughes is near death on the 59th day of his hunger strike.

A British government spokesman said a room had been set aside for his family at the Maze prison hospital outside Belfast and that the family was being allowed unlimited access to the dying man. Similar facilities were granted to the family of Bobby Sands a few days before he died after a 66-day fast May 5.

Hughes' family Monday told supporters of the hunger strike, which is part of a campaign for jailed Republicans to be treated as prisoners of war, that he was slipping in and out of a coma and was blind and unable to move. Three persons died in violence which flared in Republican areas of the province after Sands' death.

Hughes, 25, serving life imprisonment for shooting a British soldier dead in 1978, is said by his supporters to be as determined to die as Sands was if the demands for political prisoner status were not met. The government has said it would never grant political status.

Hughes' supporters say he is unlikely to live as long as Sands because of the weakening effect of a serious leg wound he suffered when captured in 1978. Two other prisoners in the Maze, Patsy O'Hara and Raymond McCreech, are in the 51st day of the hunger strike. Another prisoner, Joseph McDonnell, started a fast last Saturday to replace Sands.

One of the persons killed after Sands' death, 14-year-old Desmond Guiney, was buried in north Belfast. He died from injuries suffered when his father's milk cart was hijacked by stone-throwing rioters in mainly Catholic west Belfast the morning after Sands died. Hundreds of Desmond's schoolmates and thousands of other mourners attended the emotional funeral in mainly Protestant strongholds.

Meanwhile, violence flared in Belfast and Londonderry as the condition of Hughes deteriorated sharply.

The Belfast brigade of the Irish Republican Army, militant "provisional" wing claimed responsibility for a sniper attack Monday on British troops escorting a post office cash shipment in west Belfast's Ballymurphy district. One soldier was seriously wounded and another slightly injured, police said.

In Londonderry, dozens of Molotov cocktails were hurled at security forces during the night and police said they returned fire after coming under sniper attack in the Roman Catholic Creggan district.

In Belfast, where police and army patrols were attacked with more than 1,500 Molotov cocktails last week, security forces found a storage hut in Ballymurphy containing 12 crates of bottles, a gallon of hydrochloric acid, gasoline, funnels and cloth twisted into wicks — all reportedly for making acid and gasoline-filled bombs.

The Belfast IRA brigade called on residents of Catholic areas to keep children away from army vehicles.



WELL-PRESERVED: Visitors to a Peking museum get a glimpse of some of China's richest archaeological finds, including five well-preserved bodies and 200 artifacts discovered along the ancient Silk Road route in arid northwestern China. The bodies are attracting thousands of visitors a day.

Senate panel restricts military aid to Salvador

WASHINGTON, May 12 (AP) — Rejecting a last-minute appeal from Secretary of State Alexander Haig, the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee has overwhelmingly approved restrictions on U.S. military aid to El Salvador.

The committee voted 81-1 to cut off military help and withdraw U.S. advisers from El Salvador unless President Ronald Reagan certifies in writing that country's government can control its armed forces, observe basic human rights and is making progress on political reforms. Similar conditions were approved by the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee two weeks ago.

But in response to a separate appeal from Haig, the committee softened an amendment that would have prohibited U.S. military aid to Argentina until government moves to account for more than 5,000 persons listed as "disappeared."

The committee approved with a different 11-1 lineup a nonbinding requirement that Reagan consider Argentina's accounting of the "disappeared" people before renewing U.S. aid. Haig wrote the committee that U.S. aid to Argentina supports America's own strategic interests, and he said Argentina's human rights record has improved.

Zayed, Gandhi discuss relations

ABU DHABI, May 12 (Agency) — Formal talks opened here Tuesday between Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan on ways of upgrading economic cooperation between the two countries, the Gulf News Agency reported. Sources said the talks also dealt with combined action by India and the Arab states to keep the Indian Ocean and the Gulf region free from superpower conflicts.

The two sides discussed the latest developments in the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and the advisability of initiating a South-North dialogue between industrialized countries and developing nations of the Third World, the same sources said.

Mrs. Gandhi visited Kuwait before coming to the UAE with the stated aim of achieving a higher degree of cooperation and talking the Arabs into investing their capital in India. She also was reported to be concerned about the raging war between Iraq and Iran, which sources said also figured prominently in her talks with the leaders of Kuwait and the UAE.

Briton given extra heart

LONDON, May 12 (R) — Surgeons have given a patient a new heart without removing the diseased one in the first operation of its kind to be carried out in Britain. The operation was performed on a 51-year-old man, Peter Scott, at a hospital near London, a hospital spokesman said Tuesday.

He said Scott, a married man with three daughters, was given the heart of a teenage girl who died in a road accident. His condition was reported as stable. Egyptian-born Magdi Yacoub, consultant cardiac surgeon at the hospital, said the four-hour operation, carried out Sunday night, had been a complete success.

In the operation, known as a "piggyback", the new heart is sewn into the patient's chest next to the diseased one and is linked to it to absorb most of the strain. The technique was pioneered by Christian Barnard in South Africa.

Free Democrats hold key in Berlin

WEST BERLIN, May 12 (R) — West Berlin's chance of a stable government appeared Tuesday to hinge on the outcome of an internal battle in the small Free Democratic Party (FDP). Until city elections Sunday, West Berlin was ruled for 18 years by an alliance of the liberal FDP and the Social Democratic Party (SDP), an identical coalition to the one governing West Germany.

The voting brought a strong swing to the opposition Christian Democrat Union (CDU) but left it two seats short of an overall majority in the new city assembly. West Germany political commentators said an attempt by the CDU to form a minority government would end in failure within months and force new elections. CDU leaders have called on both the FDP and SDP to consider an alliance, but the SDP refused.

The commentators said an alliance between the FDP and CDU in West Berlin could cause serious strains for the federal SDP-FDP coalition. Signs of a serious internal split in the West Berlin FDP over a possible switch of allegiance emerged Monday when leading FDP officials gave contradictory views on the issue.

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that if it attacked Syria, it would face not only the Arab countries but also the Soviet Union. Al-Baath, newspaper of President Hafez Assad's ruling Baath Socialist Party, said: "Begin must think twice before he goes too far in his foolishness and threats to strike against Syria."

It said that if Israel attacked Syria, it would face not just the Arab countries, but also "the strategic wall of Syrian-Soviet friendship and cooperation."

In Washington, American sources said Tuesday that there is growing concern in official U.S. circles that Israel's impending attack on Syrian missile batteries in Lebanon is calculated to bring the U.S. into direct confrontation with the Soviet Union.

Moscow, which signed a defense pact with Damascus last year, has made it clear to the

Court decision hailed Polish farmers get status

WARSAW, May 12 (Agencies) — Rural Solidarity, the independent union of private farmers and offshoot of Workers' Solidarity, won legal status Tuesday in a Warsaw district court. The decision to register the "self-governing, independent union of private farmers' Solidarity" prompted a roar of approval from some 4,000 persons listening to the proceedings outside the court.

"This is perhaps the end of one stage in the road, and the start of another, much harder stage," union leader Jan Kulaj had said just prior to the final decision. The crowd of farmers and onlookers burst into loud applause when Kulaj emerged from the grey stone court building to lead a procession to the tomb of the Unknown Soldier for a wreath placing ceremony.

The decision to sanction Rural Solidarity assures it the same legal status of Workers' Solidarity, launched during shipyard protests in the Baltic port of Gdansk and registered here last November. Kulaj said that the union represented some 2.5 million of Poland's 3.9 million private farmers who own 70 per cent of the farmland and produce 80 per cent of Poland's food.

During the two-hour and 15 minute court session Tuesday, judge Zdzislaw Koscielniak, who once rejected an earlier independent farm union charter, read the union's new charter and approved it with some minor changes.

The supreme court had rejected the farmers' charter in February on the ground that farmers were self-employed and could form unions. But the farmers reorganized, produced a new charter and won the promise of registration during the Bydgoszcz sit-in.

Meanwhile, the Soviet newspaper *Pravda* has accused the Polish dissident group KOR of doing everything to destroy the economy and undermine the Polish government, according to Moscow Radio. The radio's world service, monitored by the British Broadcasting Corporation, quoted *Pravda* as saying KOR had gained the upper hand in Poland's Solidarity.

The report said KOR was still threatening to start strikes to pressure governing bodies while Solidarity's recently published program was aimed at seizing power and changing the socialist system. Such activities by Poland's enemies were rebuffed by the Polish Communist Party and the working class which were determined to foil the intrigues of hostile forces, *Pravda* said.

Stamp sold for \$1m

GENEVA, May 12 (R) — A highly sought-after 1845 letter and stamp known as the "blue Boy" has been bought for \$1 million — the highest price ever paid for a philatelic item, a dealer said Tuesday.

David Feldman, a philatelic dealer based in Geneva, said an anonymous collector secured the stamped letter in an auction held here earlier this month. The letter was posted from Alexandria to Richmond in Virginia in 1845, and earned its nickname among collectors because the five-cent blue stamp was sent on a love letter from a young man to a Richmond woman.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazan

A few days ago, just before the Lebanese crisis reached its present explosive peak, a news item heard on the radio dramatized for me the degree of weakness and division we in the Arab world have reached.

The item was by no means exceptional. Its very unexceptionability, in fact, was what hurt. It said that the American ambassador to Israel met Menahem Begin and agreed with him that the Lebanese front should stay in Zahle, while the Syrians were to be allowed to stay in the Bekaa valley.

Just like that! An American ambassador and an Israeli prime minister sit together and decide who should be in Zahle and who in Bekaa as a whole. Syrian or Lebanese views on the matter were not even asked for. It's an old, old story which is still with us. "We think we have our fate in hand while others decide behind our backs what direction that fate is to take.

It all started early in the century, with the Sykes-Picot agreement to dismember Greater Syria, when the latter was busy obtaining its independence — or so it thought. But an obscure Englishman and an equally obscure Frenchman thought otherwise. And what they thought came to pass. The Arabs fought their war and others reaped the benefit.

From then on, the story was always the same. History was doing something and we were thinking another. Thus up till 1948, the Arabs fought to stem the tide of Zionist migration into Palestine, while the Zionists were working for a project going far beyond migration. The Arabs then refused partition and the state of Israel was declared with three times the area originally apportioned to it by U.N.

And then...and then...and then... Until now we have to ask permission who should be the mayor of Zahle and whether it's OK by everyone if we build that building or clean that road.

Translated from *Ashraq Al Awsat*.

'Third Reich' admits killing of minister

BONN, May 12 (R) — An anonymous telephone caller saying he represented "The Movement of the Third Reich" has claimed responsibility for the killing Monday of Hesse state Economics Minister Heinz Karry. A spokesman for the federal prosecutor's office in Karlsruhe which has taken charge of the investigation said the group, presumed to be rightist, was not known to police. The claim was made in a call to a Frankfurt newspaper office.

Karry, 61, was shot in the stomach as he lay in his bed in his Frankfurt home and the prosecutor's office said later it suspected terrorists were responsible for the killing. But West German authorities said while there appeared no doubt about a political motive for the murder of Karry, a controversial figure whose policies made enemies among left-wingers and environmentalists, they could not be sure whether the attack came from the left or the right.

Police said Karry had received several anonymous telephone calls after which the caller usually hung up. They said he had received one call late at night before the attack. Karry, who was killed by four bullets which a gunman fired from the top of a ladder at the politician's open bedroom window, was interned in a labor camp by the Nazis during World War II.

27th Atlanta black slain

ATLANTA, Georgia, May 12 (AFP) — The body of a 17-year-old William Barret was discovered at dawn here Tuesday — making him 27th in the list of unsolved slayings or disappearances of young black people here in the past two years.

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